Greatly benefited by series of lectures here. Mrs. Webb has closely observed, has taken a keen insight into needs and hindrances of our people. They will certainly be greatly profited.—Rev. I. B. Scott, P. E. of the M. E. Church of Marshall, Texas, taken from Southwestern Christian Advocate of January 2, 1890.

Mrs. Webb lectured in my church and others, to our great satisfaction. Talks interesting and full of valuable information. We recommend her as a lady of culture, worthy of acceptation.—Fred. H. Wilkins, Pastor Bethesda Baptist Church, Marshall. Texas.

Mrs. Webb's lectures are among the substantial philosophy of practical and common things; recommend her intellectual worth; will be found among continued and advanced thought to bless her memory.—

Rev. H. S. McMillan, Pastor Ebenezer M. E. Church, Marshall, Texas.

Mrs. Webb has done effective work in all churches of this city for a month. Lecture expresses the real situation of the negro in a nutshell; awakens deepest thought.—Rev. W. R. Pettiford, Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., and President of State Baptist Association.

CHAPTER LXXVII.

MRS. ADA A. COOPER.

This acute little lady was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., February 6, 1861. She is the daughter of Rev. A. H. Newton and a granddaughter of Robert Hamilton, who was a strong Abolitionist. At a very early age she manifested a desire for books, and before she was five years old she could read and write a little. At the age of eight years she was astonishingly brilliant, both in her studies in school and in music; was always apt and